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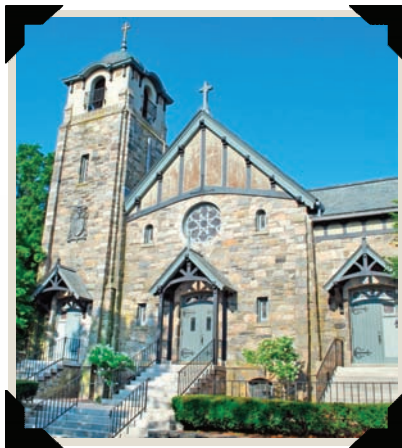
Psalm 33:12



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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH
 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 7:00 am
 Saturday----- 4:30 pm
 Sunday----- 9:00 am and 11:00 am

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL
 Saturday----- 5:30 pm*
 Sunday----- 8:00 am* and 10:00 am
 *Summer only (Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day Weekend)

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 401-871-8936

Sacraments

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
 Saturday at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in Saint Francis Church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
 Third Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
 Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to speak with a priest. Due to the reduction in priests we can no longer accommodate Sunday weddings.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
 Please call the rectory.

welcome

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Friday From 9:00 am—12:30 pm

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, June 29

4:30pm †Nicholas & Angelina Fandetti
Requested by Family

Sunday, June 30

9:00am †Elaine Brogno
Requested by May
11:00am Linda, David, Lexy & Morgan
(Special Intention)

Monday, July 1

7:00am †Joao, Aldora & Alberto DeSousa
Requested by Family

Tuesday, July 2

7:00am †Debi Gilroy
Requested by Family

Thursday, July 4

(Office Closed)

7:00am †Bertrand Bessette
Requested by Family

Friday, July 5

(Office Closed)

7:00am Special Intention
Requested by Amanda Bremner

Saturday, July 6

4:30pm †Joyce Shiels
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Family

Sunday, July 7

9:00am †Blanche Kerrigan
Requested by Family
11:00am Ligia, Amanda & Evan
(Special Intention)

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 29

5:30pm †Fran Fitzpatrick
Requested by Jane Estes

Sunday, June 30

8:00am †Elizabeth Ann Yu
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote
10:00am †Raymond Meloche
Requested by Family

Saturday, July 6

5:30pm †Patricia O'Hara
Requested by Family

Sunday, July 7

8:00am †Maribeth Redmond
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote
10:00am †Martha & Blanche McElkenny
Requested by Family

Approach the Lord with humility & faith.



Today's Gospel account proclaims two connected miracle stories, one embedded in the other. The story that bookends the account is the healing of Jairus' daughter. A synagogue official such as Jairus would be a man of wealth who supported the synagogue. He was therefore a man of prominence and stature.

This man of wealth and prominence had a serious problem: His daughter had a terminal illness and was, in fact, close to death. It is difficult to imagine the agony he and the child's mother must have been going through. He could have been filled with anger or despair.

But Jairus' response was neither: Instead, it is one of humility and faith before the Lord. Mark writes that seeing Jesus, Jairus *fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying... Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live.* Jairus recognized that Jesus had greater stature and authority than he had; he also believed that Jesus could heal his daughter and restore her to life.

Mark then interrupts the conclusion of the story of Jairus with another episode. In this account, we encounter a woman who had been suffering from a hemorrhagic illness for 12 years and had spent all her money seeking help. Mark tells us this woman came to Jesus and touched his cloak, believing that if she did so, she would be healed.

Typically, if an unclean person such as the woman touched someone else, the other person would become unclean as well. But interestingly, this woman believed that the opposite would happen; she believed that Jesus' holiness would make her pure and heal her. This is indeed what happened. She was made pure and healed by Jesus' touch because of her faith. When questioned about the encounter, like Jairus, she fell, in humility, before Jesus.

In today's Gospel, Mark demonstrates how we are to approach Jesus with our petitions. Whether the petitions are for ourselves or for loved ones, whether we are people of wealth, prestige, or the most inconsequential, seemingly invisible people in the world, we are to come to Christ with faith and humility. And how can we come to have the kind of faith that Jairus and this woman had in Jesus? They seem so confident that Jesus could and would do what they asked, as they needed. Let us strive to have such faith, such confidence in the Lord.



Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (132)	-	June 23 \$4,320.50
Loose Donations	-	\$2,051.00
Online Giving (# of donors-77)	-	\$2,870.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,241.50

This week's second collection is for Propagation of Faith. There is no second collection next week. **Thank you for your continued generosity.**

Catholic Charity Appeal as of 6/20/24 we have raised \$111,827.00.

JUNE 30, 2024



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of deceased parishioners.

Missionary Appeal This Weekend

Father François X. Eale from the Democratic Republic of Congo will speak at Masses and give the missionary appeal here on the weekend of June 29-30 on behalf of the Diocese of Kikwit in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The Appeal will help provide means of transportation to support the pastoral work of diocesan priests serving in remote areas, it will give children from very poor families an opportunity for education and will also provide clean water to poor communities in villages where people have no access to clean water.

A second collection will be taken that weekend at all Masses to support their missionary work. Thank you for your generous response to his appeal for the Church's mission in the Congo!



**Want to keep up with what's going on at St. Francis Parish?
Let the information come to you!**

We have a tremendous community here at St. Francis and we want to make sure it's as easy as possible for everyone to be involved and stay connected to it all.

*We are using **Flocknote** as a way of communicating that will make it much simpler for you to get the information you want from us! This is totally free for you to use, you don't even have to download anything or create a password in order to participate. You just take a couple minutes to sign up (if you haven't already done so in the past) and it lets you receive email or text messages from the parish, groups and ministries that you choose.*

Registering is quick and simple – scan the QR code to the right or sign up at stfranciswakefield.flocknote.com

Your information will always stay private and will not be shared with any other groups. Thank you for your participation!



It is very much a part of our Catholic tradition to have Masses offered for deceased relatives and friends. Parishioners are encouraged to continue this tradition. When was the last time you had a Mass offered for a deceased parent, grandparent, uncle, aunt, brother or sister?



To make arrangements, please call the parish office at (401)783-4411 or send an email to: saintfrancis00@aol.com. The donation for a weekday Mass is \$10 and \$25 for a weekend Mass.



**FAITH
FORMATION
(401) 792-8684**



Registration forms for Faith Formation Classes 2024-2025 may be found online at:
stfranciswakefield.com.

- ◆ Children enrolled in the program this past year are automatically promoted to the next grade.
- ◆ Those families NEW to the parish and families with children entering First Grade must register their child/ren.
- ◆ If your child attends **Catholic School** and is in 2nd, 7th or 8th grade, you must register your child for First Holy Communion classes and Confirmation classes. Confirmation preparation is a two-year program beginning in 7th grade with the sacrament of Confirmation received in 8th grade.

**The Faith Formation Office
is closed for the month of
July.**

This Week

Monday, July 1

7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)
6:30pm Men of St. Joseph (JFGC)

Wednesday, July 3

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

Thursday, July 4

NO BIBLE STUDY: HOLIDAY

July 4 & 5: Office closed

The parish office is open 9am to 4pm Monday through Thursday and 9am to 12:30 on Friday.

St. Vincent DePaul Society

*Just a reminder that our St. Vincent de Paul chapter here at St. Francis needs your help. They ask your help by using their poor boxes located in the church and chapel so that they can assist those in need in our area (Gift cards are accepted). If you know of someone in need of assistance, SVDP can be reached at 401-871-8936. **Please keep them in your prayers!***



Friday Dinners Available

The SVDP dinner program is providing Friday meals for pick up or delivery at no cost. Would you—or someone you know—like a cooked meal? We are in need of volunteers to deliver meals. Call 401-588-4192 or email esweeney1@cox.net to order a meal or volunteer to deliver.



FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE JONNYCAKE CENTER

Please remember we are always in need of nonperishable food items (no glass or outdated items). Your donations may be placed in the baskets located at St. Francis or St. Romuald.

Suggested food items: Low sodium canned soups, low sugar whole grain cereal, crackers & granola bars. Whole grain pasta, brown rice, quinoa, gluten free crackers, pasta & snacks. Pasta sauce, olive oil or vegetable oil and canned fruit in 100% juice. These items will be donated to the Jonnycake Food Pantry in Peace Dale. Thank you for your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE

July 4 & 5:

August 4:

August 25:

September 27:

September 28/29:

October 12/13:

October 19/20:

October 20:

October 26:

November 2:

November 2:

November 23:

November 29:

Office closed

Welcome Mass (9am)

Parish Breakfast in Matunuck
8:30-11:30am)

Pasta Dinner (5-7pm)

Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins

Bethlehem Olive Wood Sale

Rose Sale for Mother of Life
Center

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage
(3:00pm)

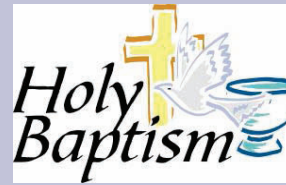
Coat Drive

All Souls Mass for the departed
(10am)

SOC Food Drive Begins

Bazaar (9am-2pm)

Giving Trees to be placed in
Church and Chapel



Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Fiora Vennera Salvatore & Ryan Michael Roush who were baptized on June 16 by Fr. Ranallo. *Your parish family rejoices with you!*

Supporting Seminarians and other Charitable Causes: Knights of Columbus to Host 12th Annual Golf Tournament August 10, 2024

The Knights of Columbus Pope Pius XII Council in Narragansett will host its 12th annual Golf Tournament at the Richmond Country Club, 74 Sandy Pond Road, Richmond, RI. *To date, the tournament has provided \$76,500 in seminarian scholarships and over \$20,000 to local charities.* Shotgun start at 8 AM. Steak fry lunch at 1 PM. Don't play golf? Consider a tee sign sponsorship. For more information on either, visit www.popepiusxii.org/golf or email: rcorcoran2@verizon.net.



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Jubilee Year of Mercy

THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

(For private recitation on ordinary rosary beads)

Our Father ... , Hail Mary ... , The Apostles' Creed.
Then, on the **OUR FATHER BEADS** you will say the following words:
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
On the **HAIL MARY BEADS** you will say the following words:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.
In conclusion **THREE TIMES** you will recite these words:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

From the Diary of the Servant of God Sr. Faustina - Note Book I, p 197
IMPRIMATUR: + Joseph F. Maguire
November 17, 1979 Bishop of Springfield, Mass.

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